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Here we go! The next three months will be the busiest of the year for the ISCSR. We have 3 events planned so far for the month of June. The Pride kick-off show at The Roost on Friday June 13th, The Mr. & Mz. Gay Edmonton Pageant, Friday June 20th at Boots, and a Pre Canada day show on Friday June 27th at Prism (Secrets), as well as our Wingo Bingos on June 4th and 18th at Boots. We will also be holding a raffle for a hand made table cloth, generously made and donated by Ian Jefferies. Tickets will be available from Court members and at GUCEE. The draw will be held at the end of Pride week.



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running for. If you are interested in running, or have any questions, please e-mail me at bobby27@gayedmonton.com.

On May 10th, we were invited to take part in the Mr. Boots Leather Contest, which was also Empress Endora's 50th Birthday. The event, put on by E.C.U.M., was a huge

success. Congratulations to the new Mr. Boots Leather, Travis Special thanks go out to

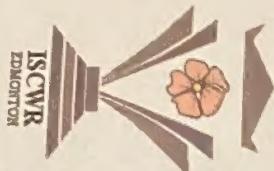
Chuck, Myron, Dan and Mike, for helping to make Endora's Birthday a memorable one. (that is, if she can remember)

Once Pride week has

come and gone, we will be putting all of our focus towards

getting ready for our Coronation Ball, August 23rd. Detailed information will be in next month's column. Endora and I will also be attending Coronations in Winnipeg and Minneapolis before we step down.

Applications for The John M. Kerr Memorial Scholarship will be available shortly at the bars, or online at <http://geocities.com/wildrosecourt>. Applications for the positions of Emperor & Empress 28 will be available at the beginning of July.

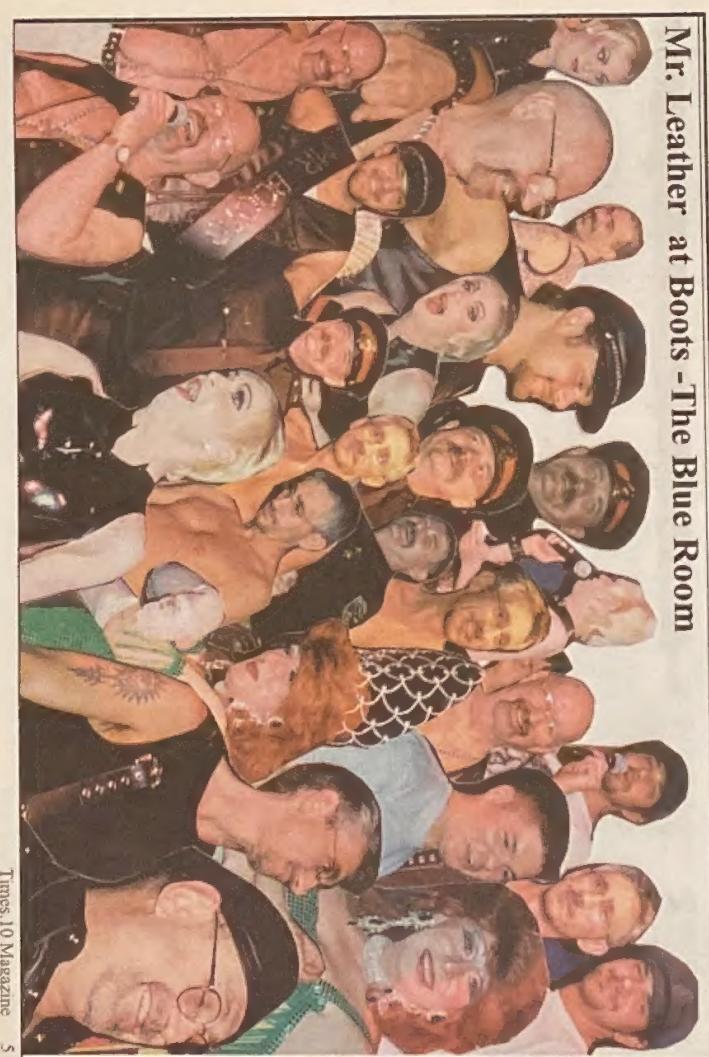


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*By Joey Gierulski
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Simplicity



sure the "cavekids" had all the toys and "milk-taks" that all the other "cavekids" had. His life was basic and simple, not the same as when we were easy, but simple. Much easier, for some of us all infants. For some of us that form of simplicity left early in our lives. And for others the simplicity didn't usually associated with the growing up years. But not always, for some it usually comes later on in life.

Remember the time in your life when things were simple. No bills to pay, no planes to catch, and no place to go. Think of a caveman for example, his goal in life was only to survive. Not to make sure that he had a job, and enough money to make

When I was younger, I was told that there are two roads in life. I'm sure we have been told that, but how do we know which road to choose? Recently, I came to the fork in the road where I had to make a decision. A) To move out and start my own life,

or B) To live life as if we're still 8 years old. I chose 'A', of course, because I have seen too many people choose the other road, and I just sit around on a path to that leads to nowhere.

Is there a point in life where you get the chance to say, "I want to go down the other path now. I have had enough of this one." In my opinion, yes, everyone has the right to make their own choice as to what they want to do with their life. The problem is usually how you go about doing it. Most people who make the bad decision of doing nothing with their lives tend to continue making wrong decisions. Constantly running away, always hoping for something better. It always happens. For example, just the other day someone I know decided in a matter of seconds, "I'm moving to Calgary, I've had enough of this place, it sucks." And literally in a matter of seconds he was packing his bag, and off he went. Well, him to wherever he goes.

But it's not just this one person, I just used him as an example. I've seen it many times in the past few years; another one bits the dust.

What is it exactly that puts us onto the 'right' path? It

is something different for everyone, but in most cases it is usually the people in our life that influence us, and help us make the right decisions. We can't make all the decisions on our own; we need someone to help us wake up, because we don't always see the bigger picture. If we did make all our decisions without the help of others, we would be one lonely and boring go nowhere society.

When it all boils down at the end, there isn't really anything that's simple in life, just a whole bunch of small but complicated things that give us something to do. It's a good thing though, because it keeps us evolving and learning new things. So when you look back on your life in your old age, make sure you know that you chose the right path in life, the right path for you.

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my best of wishes to him, because I have reason to believe that the problems he had here will just follow him to wherever he goes. But it's not just this one person, I just used him as an example. I've seen it many times in the past few years; another one bits the dust.

**Celebrate
Pride
Week
2003**

**June 13
to
June 22**



A Long Way!

**Laurie Blakeman,
MLA**

This is a good news column! As we celebrate Pride Week, it's important to commemorate how far we've come in this province. In particular, the Adult Interdependent Relations Act has parlied into gains for gay and lesbian rights. This important piece of legislation became law in Alberta last November, in essence setting out the financial and property benefits and responsibilities for same-sex relationships.

For the most part, existing Alberta legislation that would be affected by the Adult Interdependent Relations Act are being updated. However, there is still some work to be done. Currently, the sections of the Act have not been proclaimed in a number of areas, most notably the Income Tax Amendment, the Conflicts of Interest Act, and the Trustees Amendment Act, and the Social Development Act. It will be proclaimed in the Changes of Name Act in January of 2004.

There are a couple of reasons for delaying these updates.

First, in the case of acts like the Conflicts of Interest Act, the Local Authorities Election, Metis Settlement

and the School Act, these Acts deal with conflict of interest provisions or disclosure provisions. The government has said from

the beginning that it won't make conflict provisions apply to people who have not bargained for them and

because of this, the new legislation won't go into effect until after the

cases of the Motor Vehicle Act, it is simply a technology issue. Computers need to be updated in order to accommodate the changes outlined in the Interdependent Relations Act.

As for the Income Tax Amendment Act, because most of the income tax provisions must comply with federal definitions, the necessary changes have not been made. The federal definition regarding relationships is not as broad as the provincial one, and so this one could take some time.

So that's it, something to really celebrate during Pride week, the fact that in

the Local Elections Act, the Metis Settlement Act, the Motor Vehicle Registration Act, the Municipal Government Act, the School Act, the School Trustees Statues Amendment Act, and the Social Development Act. It will be proclaimed in the Changes of Name Act in January of 2004.

If you have a particular issue and would like to be on an email list for me to send you copies of questions asked in Question Period, please send me your email address and let me know whether you are a constituent or where in Alberta you live. You can reach me at my new email address and let me drop by #3, 900-109 Street, Edmonton, AB. T5K 1H5.

Now is the Moment

**By Dennis Cambly
Managing Editor**

Anne McLellan, M.P.

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Congratulations to everyone participating in Pride Week

This, the month of June, is our month of Pride. It is more than just a celebration for the gay and lesbian community in Edmonton. We join with thousands of other cities worldwide to celebrate our diversity and our selves. The lesbian and gay movement is an inclusive group that has others such as the bi-sexuals, transgendered and two spirited

Did all of this just drop out of the sky with businesses, groups and societies suddenly appear as they are today? Not very likely, should have done any homework, as to where things began. A lot is said about the few written and badly translated phrases that appear in the Bible. Little is said about the persecutions that went on for nearly a century between 1400 and 1500 during the reformation of the church state at the time. Most people know something about the Nazi powers and what they did during the period from 1934-1945. It was during that time that the pink triangle for homosexual men and the black triangle for lesbians were born. Just as the Jews had to wear the yellow Star of David, homosexual men had to wear a pink triangle and the lesbians wore the black one. It meant that you could be tortured and then executed or beaten by anyone who wanted to do so. There is little recorded history except from some Jewish discussion groups that I participated in on the Internet, as to how many pink and black triangles were seen the concentration camps. Most, from what we know, did not make it that far as these two groups suddenly disappeared from the cities occupied by the Nazi Annies.

New freedoms began to arise in North America at the beginning of the 1970s shortly after a riot took place in New York City, commonly referred to as the Stonewall Riot. The riot in the streets of the village took place when the gay and lesbian communities living there decided that had enough harassment from the New York City Police.

We do not have to go back very far in Alberta to remember the Supreme Court case involving Delwin Friend. It was almost ten years ago and was also the first time that we published Times 10 Magazine. Quite a number of people put in thousands of hours of time and much needed money from all over Alberta. The current Provincial Government in Alberta spent millions of dollars and stalled for years before the case finally went before the Supreme Court of Canada. The last bastion of hatred fell and the government of Alberta was forced to apply some freedoms for us into law. It was the beginning of the road to equality for lesbians and gay men in this province and we still have a long way to go.

When I hear about some of the petty bickering going on around our city, it looks as though some have little or no understanding of what it has taken, and will take, to reach the same level of equality as Toronto. It takes a lot of working together rather than fighting with each other to take our city, and indeed our Province, to a higher level of understanding as to who we are and what equal rights means. As long as a low level fighting takes place in our own community, it is very unlikely that any further

steps will be taken to enhance our own lives. The right-wing backbenchers that rule our current government just need to sit back and relax while we go at each other over things that are undermining our daily lives.

It appears that around the same time the word homosexual was substituted with gay and was meant to be inclusive for lesbian women. The women's rights movement then splintered off until Trudeau uttered the words, "...the Trudeau uttered the words, 'the bedrooms of the people...'". It marked a drastic change in attitude in Canada towards gay

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Pride Week 2003: The Flame

Within is about our community. It is a celebration of the unity and diversity of the gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender community. The Edmonton Pride Week Society, community groups, businesses, and other organizations have a shared

responsibility to ensure the overall success of the capital region's Pride week. Volunteers from the various community organizations, as well as volunteers at large are required to make the week's events possible. A substantial number of volunteers are needed. But the community will benefit too. It was determined at the last EPWS General Meeting that all profits generated from Pride Week 2003 will be disbursed to the community based on the following formula:

Each volunteer can select the community organization his/her efforts will benefit. 75% of the net profit from the weeks

activities will be divided by the total number of pledged volunteer hours worked. Disbursement will be determined by the total number of volunteer hours pledged to each organization.

The remaining 25% will be allocated as follows:

Community businesses and organizations will be invited to undertake Pride Dance ticket sales. The organizations selling tickets will profit from the ticket sales according to the specificity which organization(s) they wish their share be allocated to. (An individual or business can have their share divided between a maximum of 12 groups.)

Businesses and individual volunteers who DO NOT specify the organization they wish to support will have their efforts contributed to the community pool to be divided as described above.

You and your organization or business are invited to participate. Please provide EPWS with a list of

volunteers, hours they will be available and contact information no later than June 5, 2003.

The more volunteer hours provided by, or on behalf of, your organization, the more you will benefit from this year's activities. We will try to include as many groups as possible but on a first come, first serve basis so get your friends and members committed and get your list in early.

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Speaking of "Normal"

By Liz Massiah, MSW, RSW
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A while back I wrote a column about the middle of love. Not the romantic, lustful beginning, not the heartbroken ending or the inevitable end that death brings, but the middle. The time when most of the big power issues are sorted out, and the couple is getting on with ordinary, humdrum life.

It seems to me that in many ways, we are in the middle of love phase in our freedom middle as political lesbians and gay men.

Stonewall is past (remember June 27). The drag queens danced on the streets, confused the heck out of the cops and another phase of our liberation work began. It was intense, dramatic work, with high risks on many fronts. We were more vulnerable and at the same time, stronger. We were more demanding and at the same time, more honest. We stoned our case, publicized and kept doing it. And doing it. We Canadians have been more successful than our counterparts in most countries, mostly by being clear, consistent and of course, polite.

On the streets of Toronto, the fight was real. Going to the Cameo Club was a rite of passage, down a long flight of stairs, paying your money, scariest looking dykes you could possibly imagine. She would tell you about the police raids, about being taken to the Beaches in Toronto and beaten with newspaper (less bruising!) and about paying off the cops for tips on upcoming raids. Yet these women persisted, with a network of other club owners. The Divine Secrets of the Ya Ya Sisterhood, this was in many ways the lesbian equivalent. The stories, the adventures, the failures, the loyalty kept them going. These were the beginnings, the places where we learned we are just fine. Not freaks and not alone.

Then the legally focused work began. Briefs, presentations, court cases, on and on and on. I have boxes and boxes of minutes, copies and so forth in my den, as do many others. Without Delwin Vriend's willingness to go to court, who knows where we would be legally. Tom Warner's book, "Not going back" is a terrific read on our history.

But here we are, legal as all get out. Family health care, on the fax. We are so boring now. No one blinks when I refer to Anna, as my spouse. Legal marriage is just around the corner. There was even an article about women who love women in Homemaker's magazine. It left a lot to be desired, but it was there.

So much for drama. The middle of love is like that, where the hard work has to happen. The nitty gritty of the relationship is the hard part. And the part where many relationships founder. Eyes and body parts start to wander, eyes to other folks, body parts to new and lower locations, no matter what we do. Where the real work of commitment happens.

And here in our lesbian and gay world, we are in the nutty gritty of our work. We have sorted out most of the big stuff. Yet we still want and need our own sense of self, our own sense of safety and trust. Someone said to me that she feels "most lesbian" when she first walks into a woman's dance. She sees all the other women who are there just to be with women. And no one has to pretend that there isn't anything sexual in the air.

Yet we know that it's not as simple as getting the legal rights or feeling great at a dance. Every week in my office we talk about the fear and the hatred people experience. Sometimes it's more the fear of the possibility of hatred than the actual experience of direct hatred.

Which is much like the concerns we sometimes have in the middle of loving relationships. What if I get tired of her, what if she finds me less sexy, those questions haunt us as our bellies bulge, our hair grays and a late night is eleven p.m.

Those of us who can talk through these fears, these bits of confusion and doubt will usually find ways to make the relationship stronger. Despite the sagging parts, the hot flashes and the other changes of aging. We have to learn to celebrate what we have, then we can be contentedly in the middle of love.

Our community is grappling with this, I think. How do we have our community, have our rights, function without the drama? This shows up in comments about the folks not giving way to the younger ones, in another paper trying to get going in some ways this is healthy, trying to ask the hard questions, looking for worthwhile answers. How can we be more resourceful in meeting our needs and yet knowing we are not as full of energy as we used to be. That the needs have changed and we can still be passionate about them, whether sexual or political.

We get caught in the loop of the reality that coming out is still tough, that we still have a high adolescent suicide rate, that being a lesbian and a psychotherapist is still something worth discussion. When those things are mundane, then we will be past the middle of love, past the middle of our work. We aren't there yet. In today's email comes a copy of a letter from some Christians asking for prayers to prevent the passage of the hate laws bill — "to end the scourge on the country". They don't clearly say what the scourge is — they seem to be suggesting it's "Sword, Roman, but bows". In any case, the letter proves the point of the hate bill very nicely, so we should say thanks to the authors.

There will always be political work to be done, but through the chance created this phase of our liberation. And thanks, Dennis for ten years of vulnerability that a good intimate relationship demands, it will happen. So, once again, Happy Pride. And thanks for taking the chances, doing the hard work that created this phase of our liberation.

And thanks, Dennis for ten years of Times 10. It's not perfect, I would do it differently, but you kept it going, with binder twine and duct tape, but it's still here. And if others want another paper, great, there is room for us all in the middle of this loving, liberating time.

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Pride Video
Earth's General Store

the flamingo
mixed pride dance

Saturday, June 14, 2003

9 pm to 2 am
alberta avenue hall
9210 - 118 avenue

Guest DJ - Licorish Whip

Midnight buffet provided by Aqua Monqua Catering

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Edmonton Vocal Minority

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Edmonton Pride Week 2003 Events

June 13 - 22: Art Exhibit "Strange Fruit" - The Roost - nightly 8 PM - 1 AM	Avenue Hall Co-Sponsored with: EVM - GLCCE - Curling with Pride
June 13 - 22: Pride Video Annual Pride Week Sale	5. Down Under Welcomes Black Solstice for an After-Party 25% off with Black Solstice Tickets
Discounts on Pride Merchandise, toys, lubricants, etc.	6. Rainbow Community Health Forum 2 Sponsored by GLCCE, HIV Edmonton and The Edmonton Public Library. (Free Attendance), 10:00am to 4:00 PM
the-Meat - The Roost, 9 PM	Edmonton Public Library - Stanley A. Milner Library - 7 Sir Winston Churchill Square, Edmonton In meeting room #7 located on the 6th floor, in the spirit of Pride Week, this forum will provide an upbeat venue to learn, discuss & contribute to health related issues within Edmonton's diverse
2. ISCWR Flame Within Show - The Roost.	Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgendered and Two-spirited communities. For more information or to register please call Erin at GLCCE (488-3234) or Jason at HIV Edmonton (488-5742).
Saturday June 14	7. Pride Party: Get in free with Black Solstice or Womanspace tickets - The Roost
1. Northern Chaps presents "A Black Solstice & the Mr. Edmonton Leather Contest: Hellenic Hall - Doors open 8 PM, contest at 9 PM	2. Black Solstice & Mr. Edmonton Leather: After Party - Buddy's, midnight
3. Marsha Stevens Concert "A Proud Faith" at Knox Met United 8307 - 109 St. 7 PM The concert is free (a love offering will be collected)	3. Marsha Stevens Concert "A Proud Faith" at Knox Met United 8307 - 109 St. 7 PM The concert is free (a love offering will be collected)
Sunday June 15	4. Pride Patio BBQ - The Roost
1. Morning Worship at Gameau United Church 1148 - 84 Ave 10:30 AM with special guest Marsha Stevens	1. Morning Worship at Gameau United Church 1148 - 84 Ave 10:30 AM with special guest Marsha Stevens
Monday June 16	2. ISCWR Flame Within Show - The Roost, 10249 107 St.
Tuesday June 17	1. Pride With Friends Karaoke - The Roost, 10249 107 St.
Wednesday June 18	1. Pride Karaoke and Hiballs - Prism 10249 107 St.
Thursday June 19	2. Hate Crimes/Police/ GLBT Community - Heritage Room, 1st Floor City Hall, 7:30 - 9:00
Friday June 20	3. Pride Wings 15 cents - Prism 10249 107 St.
Sat. June 21	4. Pride Amateur Strip - The Roost
Sun. June 22	1. Betty Ford Pride Week Recovery Show - The Roost
2. Evening Worship at Lambda Christian Community Church 11148 - 9pm - 2 AM Alberta	2. Diversity Conferences of Alberta Society service of celebration, Carry The Flame, 10:30am at the Unitarian Church of Edmonton.
Thursday June 19	3. Pride Service of Worship at Lambda Christian Community Church 11148 - 9pm
4. Womanspace Flaming Ice Pride Dance 9210 - 118 Ave 9pm - 2 AM Alberta	4. Pride Parade - 2 PM
9pm - 2 AM Alberta	1. ISCWR Gay Edmonton Pageant - Boots 9 PM
	2. Open Mike Night - Prism Stage - Oliver Arena 3 PM - 9 PM
	3. Euroblitz Upstairs at the Roost
	4. Pride Patio BBQ - The Roost
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	8. Pride Awards - during the Pride Dance, 9 PM
	9. Pride Dance - Polish Hall 10960 104 St. 8 PM - 2 AM
	10. Pride Date Nite, Date Board & Gay Sexual Trivia Game 10 contestants! Win Sexual Prizes! Also Audience Prizes
	11. EVM Concert - Provincial Museum
	12. Pride Dance - Polish Hall 10960 104 St. 8 PM - 2 AM
	13. Cherry Riffin Present "Pride with Friends Karaoke 8-12am
	14. Pride After Party Get In Free with your Womanspace & Black Solstice Tickets
	15. Betty Ford Pride Kickoff Party, after the Parade
	16. Pride Amateur Strip, Smirnoff Nite
	17. Euro Blitz Upstairs DJ Ottawak, New Music out of Europe
	18. Pride All Request Night Downstairs
	19. Female Stripper & Bar-B-Q on the Patio
	20. Betty Ford Pride Recovery Nite
	21. "Charlie's Angels Full Throttle Show"
	22. "Charlie's Angels Prizes All Week

The Roost's Pride Events

June 13-22
Playwright & Artist Joe Achtemichuk's Art Exhibit "Strange Fruit" 8pm-1am Upstairs Nightly except for Sat, 9pm-2am

Fri. June 13
Black Solstice "Meet the Meat", upstairs

ISCWR Flame Within Show downstairs

Pride Pool Tournament, BBQ on the Patio & a Female Stripper

2. Jazz City featuring Rhonda Withnell - 9 PM

3. Sticky's Pride Charity Show (U of A Pediatric AIDS Unit) - The Roost

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Wed. June 18

Pride Amateur Strip, Smirnoff Nite

Thurs. June 19
Jazz City Featuring Rhonda Withnell 8pm

Returning June 27 with Anna Beaumont Live Pride: All Live Singers Downstairs

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Euro Blitz Upstairs DJ Ottawak, New Music out of Europe

Pride All Request Night Downstairs

Female Stripper & Bar-B-Q on the Patio

Sat. June 21
Pride Colors Party Get in Free with your Pride Dance Tickets

Kickoff Party for Charlie's Angels Week



Private Members Club

10345-104 St.

426-3150

Sun. June 22
Betty Ford Pride Recovery Nite

"Charlie's Angels Full Throttle Show"



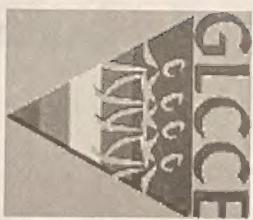
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Volunteering at GLCCE

By Tamsin Bohnet



I remember when I first emailed the Gay and Lesbian Community Centre to ask if they needed volunteers. After borrowing their library books, taking part in their groups, and using their website to keep up with local events, I decided it was time to give something back. When I arrived at the centre, the volunteer coordinator offered me a chair and a cup of tea and we talked about how I could use my interests and abilities to make a

I've had the chance to meet and work with a wonderful and diverse group of people with the common

goal of making things better for our community. I've been able to help provide a safe, respectful space and a friendly voice

on the phone for a wide variety of people of different ages and backgrounds who are gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender. And by helping people find information about our resources, events, and issues that affect them, I've learned a lot about our community myself, and feel more a part of it than ever.

For anyone who has been thinking about volunteering at GLCCE, I highly recommend it. There are lots of ways you can get involved.

Hosting

A host is usually the first person someone talks to when phoning or dropping in to GLCCE. Hosts are there to make people feel welcome, to chat and to provide information about Edmonton-area gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender resources.

Whether they're just coming out, new to Edmonton, or long-time community members, people often drop in to find social opportunities or support, or just to chat in a relaxed atmosphere.

Peer Support

Peer support volunteers are there for people who want to talk through an issue that's affecting them. In order to become a peer supporter, volunteers attend a ten-week-long training session and an evaluation. If you'd like to sign up for the next training session, please contact us.

In the meantime, hosting is a good way to get familiar with GLCCE.

Special Events

Helping at special events is a great way to get out and meet people. From staffing an information booth to helping plan a fundraiser, there are always opportunities to get involved with GLCCE events and help spread the word about our centre. Special events are a great

way to help out if you can't or don't want to commit to a regular shift. If you like to volunteer in a social atmosphere—or if you like to plan and organize—we'd love to hear from you.

GLCCE Board and Committees

Our 2003 board is already busy working on our programming and services for this year. We'll be recruiting new board members again in the new year, but meanwhile you're welcome to attend a GLCCE board meeting or volunteer to help on one of our committees.

If any of these opportunities match your talents and interests, why not become a GLCCE volunteer? We'd love to have you join us!

Activists Ignite

Gay Men's Health Movement
at Raleigh Summit

This was the third national summit of its kind over the past five years and brought over 300 participants from all over the country and world, including countries such as New Zealand, Canada, England, Ireland, and Switzerland. The summit's boldly stated mission to "build a multi-cultural multi-issue health movement for gay men's health" drew a broad range of participants including activists, medical providers, community advocates, and human service providers.

"We are really excited to see the exciting work taking place on gay men's health around the nation and around the world," One such focus included a programming track, and funding to provide specific scholarships for participation. This institute, sponsored in large part by the Ford Foundation, addressed access to care, and the ways that homophobia and/or racism interact to impact health. Participants in the institute also created and distributed a draft document summarizing "critical issues that were identified [to] serve as a set of priorities for gay men of color that can be considered for future organizing efforts."

Further enhancing the summit experience were a number of activities to provide a social component for participants, including receptions, an exciting pool party, and collaborations with local organizations.

Audience response to the summit was overwhelmingly positive as they joined in a process that both energized and educated. As the week wrapped up, participants were charged with bringing the energy and message of the summit back to their communities and with creating similar summits at the state and regional level nationwide. Additionally, discussions were already underway for the next in what will likely be many follow up national summits, tentatively scheduled to occur in 2005.

For more information available on the summit visit the official website at www.gmhsm2003.org

Recognized Community Builders

Resources & Education

<p>Alcoholics Anonymous AA is a fellowship of men and women who share their experience, strength and hope with each other that they may solve their common problem and help others to recover from alcoholism. The only requirement for membership is a desire to stop drinking. Call 424-5900 for times and places of Gay and Lesbian meetings.</p>	<p>include: theatre nights, video nights, pub nights, Sunday brunches, and dining out. We meet the second Sunday of every month (except July and August) at 3:00 PM at the Unitarian Church of Edmonton 12250 110 Ave.) for a social period, a guest speaker, and an optional supper at a restaurant. For more information, contact Peter at 426-7019, or better yet...join us at our monthly meeting.</p>	<p>Gay & Lesbian Centre Providing Resources, Referrals and Support to all members of the general public regarding Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender Issues.</p>	<p>(780) 479-2038, E-mail: emt@interact.edmonton.ab.ca, on the web at: http://www.planet.eon.net/~toocute/evmt/, or write to PO Box 12091, Main Post Office Edmonton, AB T5J 3L2.</p>
<p>Illusions Social Club A social club for Cross-dressers, Transsexuals and their supporters. We hold two socials each month, one on the second Thursday and one on the third Saturday. For more information, write to Illusions Social Club, Box 356, Main Post Office, Edmonton, AB, T5J 216. Phone: 424-2685 to talk to someone person to person.</p>	<p>Lambda Christian Community Church We are a non-denominational Christian church providing a safe and healing space for Edmonton's gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgendered Christians and their friends. 11148-84 Avenue (Garnneau United Place) Edmonton, T6G 0V8. Call 474-0753.</p>	<p>Imperial Sovereign Court of the Wild Rose The mission of the Court is to raise funds for charities and other organizations, which provide direct services to gay and lesbian individuals. Meetings of the Society are held at 8 PM on the last Wednesday of the month at the Garage. Our e-mail is:</p>	<p>Northern Titans We bowl every year from September till April, and you do not have to belong to a team to join - just show up. We have bowlers whose skills range from beginner to average - and we will give the new people pointers to improve their skills. The cost is \$15 (students \$10) for three games of bowling. We have a lot of fun socializing during bowling and afterwards most of us go out for supper. It is an excellent way to get to know people. Northern Titans bowls at Gateway Rec. Centre, 100 3414 Gateway Blvd</p>
<p>ICARE Interfaith Centre for AIDS/HIV HIV+ Peer counselling, hospital visits and a speakers bureau are also available through our society. Phone 488-5768 or e-mail: livepos@telusplanet.net. They also have a WebPages at OUTreach U of A http://www.ualberta.ca/~outreach</p>	<p>OUTreach OUTreach is a university-based organization for gays, lesbians and bisexuals interested in an academic atmosphere. Meetings are held every week to week. Additional information is available by e-mail: outreach@ualberta.ca.</p>	<p>Edmonton Chaps Edmonton's Leather - Feush club for Gay, Lesbian, and straight men and women was established sixteen years ago. We strike to educate the rest of the community through workshops, staged demonstrations and events in order to heighten awareness. Northern Chaps meets the 1st and 3rd Saturday of each month. E-mail us at: northernchaps@telusplanet.net</p>	<p>Youth Understanding Youth We meet every Saturday from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Gay and Lesbian Centre of Edmonton, Suite 103, 10612-124 Street. A social support group for anyone under the age of 25 years. For more information, or to give your input, e-mail: yvedm@hotmail.com. Our WebPages are at Youth Understanding Youth http://www.youthunderstandingyouth.com</p>
<p>Visions - Unitarian Church of Edmonton We are an open, liberal religious community that value diversity and celebrate our Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and</p>	<p>Edmonton. For more information call Peter at 483-1075 - Or email at northers.champs@ualberta.ca</p>	<p>OUTreach OUTreach is a university-based organization for gays, lesbians and bisexuals interested in an academic atmosphere. Meetings are held every week to week. Additional information is available by e-mail: outreach@ualberta.ca. They also have a WebPages at OUTreach U of A http://www.ualberta.ca/~outreach</p>	<p>OUTreach OUTreach is a university-based organization for gays, lesbians and bisexuals interested in an academic atmosphere. Meetings are held every week to week. Additional information is available by e-mail: outreach@ualberta.ca. They also have a WebPages at OUTreach U of A http://www.ualberta.ca/~outreach</p>

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The B.E.A.R.S of Edmonton
A group for hairy men and their admirers meet the first and third Saturday of each month. Write us at #47, 10024, 82nd Avenue, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada T6E 1Z3.

Dignity Edmonton
This Edmonton chapter is a support community for gay and lesbian Catholics and friends. Contact Bernard at 451-1794 or Joseph at 481-4218

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Edmonton Vocal Minority
Women and men of all sexual orientations dedicated to sharing and preserving the cultural heritage of the queer community. Everyone is welcome to join this mixed voice choir as either a singer or a support member. Come and sing your pride! For information: Telephone:

HIV For more information on the activities of HIV
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Regional Organizations

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Gay and Lesbian Community, Box 1492, Grande Prairie, AB T8V 4Z3. E-mail: gpgayorg@hotmail.com

Out North

Box 2827, Yellowknife, NT, X1A 2R2. Phone line: 867-669-7279. WebPages: <http://www.yellowknife.com/platant/outnorth.htm> E-mail: north99@hotmail.com

Something You Know and Love is Gay

Post 911

The Cost of Doing Business

with this kind of increase? You can't!

911, the day the world changed! That's the day that have to do is look at what is happening with the airlines. They are face job losses & bankruptcies. This is no

different than any other business, including the gay community. 911 was the start, now factor in the US Nite Club fires, the gulf war & the terrorism against nite club around the world. All of this has impacted the cost

of liability insurance.

At the Roost, we have always prided ourselves at delivering a great service with reasonable pricing. The Roost, like every other business in the city, is faced with the same dilemma, how do we keep our doors open? After 26 years of operation the Roost has reached a crossroads. Do we close our doors? Or do we raise prices?

After much thought and input from the community, we have chosen to adjust our pricing to meet our obligations to our suppliers and our own community, effective July 1st. We have also implemented some other measures to assist in cost reduction. Further assisting us in meeting our goals, small price increases will be made on liquor products and Deli items. The door admittance and membership costs will also increase slightly. Platinum Cards will also now be made available for sale. A breakdown of the increases will be made available on the back of the "Roost Calendar" for the month of June, showing and implementation date of July 1st.

We apologize for these increases, but we assure you that they are being kept to a minimum. We look forward to your continued support and to providing the Gay Community with an excellent level of service.

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Boots the Blue Room

Pride Week

FRI, JUNE 13

Boots Kick-off to Pride

\$2.00 Hi-balls 8-11PM

Free Pool

SAT, JUNE 14

Pride Pool Tournament

25 Cent Wings

Hi-balls start at \$1.00 at 8PM

Male Stripper at 11PM

Pride with ECUM

SUN, JUNE 15

Mr. Edmonton Leather

Survivor's Brunch 11AM - 1PM

After-Parade Party

Happy Hour Prices all day

Pride with Bottoms Up

FRI, JUNE 20

The Edmonton Gay Pageant

\$2.00 Hi-balls 8PM - 11PM

Pride Beer Bash

25 cent Wings

Pride Music Sports

THU, JUNE 19

Pride Beer Bash

\$7.50 Large Jugs all day

Pride Music Sports

SAT, JUNE 21

Pride Dance Pre-Party

Pride Pool Tournament

25 Cent Wings

Hi-balls start at \$1.00 at 8PM

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MON, JUNE 16

Queer as Folk

Shows at 8PM and 11PM

\$2.00 Hi-balls during each show

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Lambda Christian Community Church

up for who they are, to live honestly, and to worship God. That's certainly what she hopes to accomplish in Edmonton when she will speak at a benefit dinner on Friday June 13 and perform at a concert on June 14 and be the special guest speaker and singer at two worship services on Sunday, June 15.

The music is part of the inspiration. Stevens is well known in Christian music circles for her 1969 composition "For Those Tears I Died." She wrote the song as a struggling 16-year-old girl who finally heard Jesus speak to her with love and comfort. "Come to the water Stand by my side I know you are strong writer," says Marsha Stevens.

When ASKED what she does for a living, Marsha Stevens says, "I sell every teardrop when in darkness you cried And I'm here to remind you That for those tears I died." She will speak at a benefit dinner on Friday June 13 and perform at a concert on June 14 and be the special guest speaker and singer at two worship services on Sunday, June 15.

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The reasoning worked and Stevens got involved with a singing group. She was soon performing at gay Christian churches and conferences across the country part-time. "It's scary," she laughs. "We really are everywhere!" Since Stevens' start in the MCC singing group, she rose again to national acclaim in the Christian community, as the only major out lesbian singer on the contemporary Christian music scene. The Encyclopedia of Contemporary Christian Music, sold in Bible bookstores across the country, honors Stevens as "the mother of contemporary Christian Music," saying that as "the progenitor of ... the single most popular genre in the contemporary Christian music market," other female contemporary Christian musicians "sing in her shadow."

According to the Encyclopedia, she pioneered the way for popular non-gay artists such as Amy Grant, Sandi Patty and Margaret Becker. Christian Century magazine calls her "conservative Christianity's worst nightmare."

But at the time, she took it all very hard. She wasn't convinced that being gay would fit into the movement from which she emerged. "I did a lot of going, God or I don't," she says. "I'm the one who I am," she said, but gave up the idea of writing and performing music. She worked as a nurse and after five years of self-reflection

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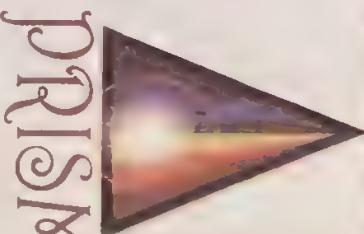
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will also be in the June
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PRIDE PARADE - Sunday,
June 15, 2003, west on
Jasper Avenue from
111 Street, then north
on 118 Street to
Oliver Arena, 10335 -
119 Street. Parade starts
at 2pm.

PRIDE DANCE at 8pm on
Saturday, June 21, 2003
at the Polish Hall, 10960 -
104 Street. DJs Manny
Mullato (Sublime
Productions, Boots
resident); S2 (SQUARED),
(Sublime Production,
Envision); Astrotrip
(Sublime Productions);
Weena Luv (Roost). Pride
Awards at 9pm. Tickets
\$15 in advance. \$20 at
the door.

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